



Cromwell

SHAMROCK STORE,  
CROMWELL.

WILLIAM SHANLY &amp; Co.,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

WINE, SPIRIT, AND PROVISION  
MERCHANTS.A large and varied assortment of  
WINES, SPIRITS, AND GROCERIES.Goods delivered in all parts of the district,  
free of charge.

CROMWELL.

FREE TRADE BUTCHERY,  
(Wholesale and Retail).

JAMES DAWKINS - PROPRIETOR.

A supply of Beef, Mutton, Veal, Pork, Hams,  
Bacon, &c., always on hand.\*\*Meat delivered at Town Prices throughout  
the district.

Smithfield Butchery Company.

OWEN PIERCE (late of St. Bathans)  
having purchased from Mr W. J. BARRY  
the Butchery Business lately carried on by him  
in Cromwell, begs to intimate that he is in a  
position to supply the best description of meat  
at moderate prices.O. P. hopes by strict attention to business,  
and keeping meat of the very best quality, to  
obtain a share of public support.

WILLIAM BARNES,

BLACKSMITH AND FARRIER,

Begs to announce to the inhabitants of CROM-  
WELL and the surrounding Districts that he is  
now carrying on the above business near the  
Bridge Hotel; and trusts, by strict attention to  
business, coupled with moderate charges, to  
secure a share of the work of the district.A Consignment of the "GOODENOUGH"  
PATENT HORSE-SHOES having now arrived,  
you will have an opportunity of testing the  
latest improved principle.The undersigned has had long practice on the  
above patent, and the public may rely upon the  
efficiency of the workmanship.WILLIAM BARNES,  
Blacksmith and Farrier.

N.B.—Next the Bridge Hotel.

NOTICE.

WE, the undersigned, beg to inform the  
inhabitants of the Cromwell, Alexandra,  
and Clyde districts that we have appointedI. HALLENSTEIN AND CO., Cromwell,  
As our only AGENTS for the sale of our Silk-  
dressed

FLOUR, BRAN, AND POLLARD.

We guarantee all Flour branded with our  
name, and obtained through the above agents.ROBERTSON & HALLENSTEIN,  
Brunswick Flour Mills,

LAKE WAKATIP.

LIME! LIME!! LIME!!!

From the DEEP CREEK KILNS.

I. HALLENSTEIN & CO.,  
Agents for the Cromwell District.Ex Latest Mail Steamer,  
LETTS' DIARIES FOR 1871,  
various kinds.A splendid assortment of Gift Books, Poetical  
Works, Dictionaries, Toy Books, &c. Also, a  
Large Stock of Stationery Goods.I. HALLENSTEIN & CO.,  
General Merchants.LIME! LIME! LIME!  
The undersigned begs to intimate to the  
public of Cromwell and the surrounding districts  
that he has commenced LIME-BURNING near  
the Bridge, and that he is now in a position to  
SUPPLY LIME, pure and unadulterated, at a  
moderate price. Delivered, as per agreement,  
in any part of the district.

JOHN HURLEY.

Cromwell Advertisements

## Re-opening of London House Drapery Establishment,

CROMWELL.

W. TALBOYS,

(Late Manager for Allen Fitch),

DRAPER, CLOTHIER, AND HABERDASHER,

HAS much pleasure in announcing his return from Dunedin with a large and care-  
fully-selected assortment of New and Seasonable Goods in every department, suitable for  
the requirements of this market, and which will be offered at extremely moderate prices.

LADIES' DEPARTMENT.

Plain and Fancy Lustres  
Poplinettes—Marl Repps  
Serge—plain Camelet  
French Muslins & Muslin RobesFrench Merinos, in all colours  
Straw and Sun Hats  
Infants' Silk Hood and Hats, in  
White and all colours  
Hoyle's Prints—fast coloursCotton and Silk Trimmings  
Cord Ribbons, just imported  
Flannels, at all prices  
Hollands, Diapers, and Linens

FURNISHING DEPARTMENT.

Scarlet & green all-wool Damask  
Orris and Float LacesSheetings and Toilet Quilts  
Felt & Carpet Rugs, all sizesWhite, blue, & scarlet Blankets  
Door-mats and Hearth-rugs

GENTLEMEN'S DEPARTMENT.

Men's Silk-mixed Suits  
Silk-mixed Trousers and Vest  
Silk-mixed Sac Coats  
Tweed Sac and Riding Coats  
Black Cloth Coats  
Black Cloth Trousers and VestTweed and Mole Trousers  
Tweed and Stitched-Felt Hats  
Stiff Brim and Soft Felt Hats  
Black Cloth Caps  
White Dress-Shirts  
Crimean and Jean ShirtsFlannel Shirts  
Serge and Flannel Pants  
Cricketing-Flannel Pants  
Large Stock of Ties, in all the  
newest designs  
Eton and Knickerbocker Suits,  
in great variety.

BOOT AND SHOE DEPARTMENT.

Elastic-Side French Kid Boots

Watertight and Shooting Boots  
Patent and Leather Slippers

Ladies' &amp; Children's Kid Boots

FANCY GOODS,

Comprising a beautiful assortment of the latest novelties.

W. TALBOYS

(Late Allen Fitch),

LONDON HOUSE,

CROMWELL.

[A CARD.]

D R. JAMES CORSE,  
SURGEON,May be consulted daily at his residence,  
MELMORE-STREET,  
CROMWELL.C R O M W E L L H O T E L,  
CROMWELL.

ROBERT KIDD, PROPRIETOR.

The travelling public and Commercial Gentlemen will find this the most convenient house to put up at in Cromwell. There are excellent bed, private sitting, and dining rooms, and attached to the establishment is a magnificent Billiard Saloon, and the largest hall for Concerts, Balls, or Theatrical Representations out of Dunedin.

Excellent Stabling, &amp;c.

K A W A R A U H O T E L,  
CROMWELL.

WILLIAM SMITHAM, PROPRIETOR.

The best conducted and most comfortable Hotel  
in the District.A FIRST-CLASS BILLIARD ROOM,  
With one of Alecock's best Tables.N.B.—W. S. having erected a large range of  
Stabling, would intimate to Travellers that every  
care will be bestowed upon horses. An experienced  
groom in attendance.JUNCTION COMMERCIAL HOTEL,  
CROMWELL.JOSEPH HARDING begs to intimate  
that he has purchased from Mr G. W.  
Goosner the above large and centrally occupied Hotel, and is now in a position to offer accommodation  
of a superior description to all who may  
favour him with their patronage.His past experience in the WINE and SPIRIT  
trade, will he trusts, be a sufficient guarantee that  
the Spirits and Malt Liquors served will be as  
pure as on the day they left the viutry or the  
distillery.The BEDROOMS, PRIVATE PARLORS, &c., are  
fitted up in the best style, and every attention  
will be paid to secure the comfort and convenience  
of visitors.Large and Comfortable  
BILLIARD ROOM,  
Fitted with one of Alecock's Tables.  
Particular attention has been paid to the  
STABLES  
In connection with the Hotel, and the public  
may rely on  
Every Care being taken of their HORSES.MEALS ready at ALL HOURS of the day.  
J. HARDING.NOTICE.  
POISON for DOGS will be laid on  
MOUNT PISA STATION on and after this  
date. I. LOUGHNAN.

Mount Pisa, 12th May 1870.—27c.

PROVINCIAL HOTEL,  
LOGANTOWN.

BEN COOPER

Begs to announce that he has purchased the  
above well-known and commodious hotel, where  
travellers will find the best of accommodation  
at reasonable charges.Excellent Stabling is attached to the premises,  
and visitors can always rely on getting horse  
feed, and every attention paid.

CROMWELL PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The Reading-room is open to Subscribers on  
Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays.The Library contains an extensive variety of  
Books in every department of literature; and  
about £60 worth of New Works is expected to  
arrive shortly from Great Britain.All the Provincial Newspapers, and a number  
of English Papers and Periodicals, are regularly  
received for the use of Subscribers.Annual subscription, 21s; half-yearly, 15s  
quarterly, 7s 6d.

NOTICE.

COURTS will be held in the CROM-  
WELL DISTRICT as under:—

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24

JUNE 7, 21.

VINCENT PYKE, R.M.,  
Warden.

Cromwell, March 21, 1871

JAMES TAYLOR  
CARPENTER,  
BUILDER,TIMBER MERCHANT,  
&c., &c.,

SELLS CHEAP &amp; WORKS CHEAP!

FOR CASH ONLY.

RICHARD'S FERRY  
IS NOW OPEN FOR TRAFFIC,  
and the Public are invited to cross the Kawarau  
River on the  
BEST PUNT IN THE PROVINCE.The new Ferry is on the direct route to the  
Bannockburn and Nevis Districts, and to the  
Carrick Range.

NOTICE.

POISON for DOGS is laid on ARDGOUR  
STATION. ALEX. MCLEAN,  
Manager.ADAMS'S GULLY COAL-PIT,  
BANNOCKBURN.ALEXANDER M'LOUGHLIN  
Respectfully intimates to Residents in the Ban-  
nockburn District that he is prepared to supply  
COAL of very superior quality, and to deliver  
the same in large or small quantities throughout  
the district, at reasonable prices.As a proof of the excellence of the Coal from  
the Adams's Gully Pit, the Proprietor would  
remind the public that he has secured a contract  
to supply the Royal Standard Company's engine  
with fuel for twelve months.Just Received, ex City of Dunedin and  
Christina M'Auland,OUR FIRST CONSIGNMENT OF  
GENERAL DRAPERY,Suitable for the coming Autumn and Winter  
Season, and to which we have respectfully to  
call the attention of the Ladies and Gentlemen  
in the district, as our stock will be found ade-  
quate to all requirements.

Also, a large assortment of Boots and Shoes.

I. HALLENSTEIN AND CO.,

General Drapers, &amp;c.

WILLIAM J. BARRY,  
AUCTIONEER,  
CATTLE SALESMAN, & COMMISSION AGENT,  
CROMWELL,Begs to announce to his friends, and the public  
generally, that he is now prepare-  
to conductAUCTION SALES,  
in Cromwell, or in any other part of the Province  
at the lowest rate of commission.W. J. B. begs to remind the public that his ex-  
perience as a Cattle Salesman is unsurpassed by  
that of any other Auctioneer in the Province.Extensive CATTLE YARDS—capable of accom-  
modating from 200 to 300 head of Cattle, or from  
5000 to 10,000 Sheep—have been erected on the  
flat immediately adjoining the Township.Drafting Pens for Cattle are provided, so that  
each party may have his stock sold in separate  
pens.

[A CARD.]

M R. H. W. SMYTHIES

MINING SURVEYOR,

C R O M W E L L L.

## Arrowtown

R. PRITCHARD,  
Wholesale and Retail Storekeeper,  
WINE, SPIRIT, AND PROVISION MERCHANT,  
ARROWTOWN.

The largest and best-assorted stock of Wines, Spirits, Groceries, and Provisions in the district. A well-assorted stock of Boots and Shoes, Drapery, &c.

Agent for T. ROBINSON & Co., Agricultural Implement Manufacturers, Dunedin & Melbourne.

## Queenstown

JOHN O. M'ARDELL,  
MINING AGENT, SHAREBROKER,  
AND  
General Commission Agent,  
Valuator, and Accountant,

ARROWTOWN AND QUEENSTOWN.  
Stock, Agricultural Produce, and General Merchandise Bought and Sold on Commission.

ROBERT BOYNE,  
GENERAL STOREKEEPER  
AND NEWS AGENT,  
Queenstown, Lake Wakatip.

A large stock of Groceries and other goods always on hand. Importer of English and Colonial Newspapers. Orders punctually attended to, and newspapers forwarded to any part of the district.

Agent for the Cromwell Argus.

[A CARD.]

D. POWELL,  
AUCTIONEER, &c.

SALE ROOMS - BALLARAT-STREET,  
QUEENSTOWN.

OFFICE :  
Ballarat-st. (opposite the Family Hotel)

PRINCE OF WALES HOTEL,  
(Corner of Beach and Rees streets),  
QUEENSTOWN.

W. M'LAIRN..... PROPRIETOR.  
The above Hotel continues to keep up its reputation as one of the most comfortable in the Wakatip district. The best accommodation for visitors and boarders.

FIRST-CLASS STABLING.  
The only paddock accommodation in the district  
The Pioneer of Sixpenny Drinks.

QUEEN'S ARMS HOTEL  
QUEENSTOWN.

A. EICHARDT..... PROPRIETOR.  
Private Rooms for Families.

SAMPLE ROOMS FOR COMMERCIAL TRAVELLERS.

A large and commodious STABLE, capable of accommodating twenty horses, has recently been completed, and has been pronounced by all who have visited the district as second to none in Dunedin. An experienced groom in attendance.

Booking Office for Cobb & Co.'s line of Coaches.

FURNITURE..... NORTH & SCULLAR  
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NORTH & SCULLAR, Importers of all kinds of Household Furniture. Families can be supplied at the shortest notice.—Rattray-street, Dunedin.

Bedsheets..... North & Scullar

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NORTH & SCULLAR, Importers of Ornamental Iron, Brass, Wood, and other Bedsheets, in great variety.—North & Scullar, Rattray-street, Dunedin.

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NORTH & SCULLAR, Importers of Brussels, Tapestry, Kidderminster, and Felt Carpets, at greatly reduced prices.—Note address:

NORTH & SCULLAR,  
RATTRAY-STREET, DUNEDIN.

Goods packed and forwarded to all parts of the Colony.

## Lowburn, Bendigo Gully, &amp;c.

## WELCOME HOME HOTEL

AND STORE,

## LOWBURN,

About three miles from Cromwell, on the road to the Bendigo Reefs.

JOHN PERRIAM - PROPRIETOR.

Every accommodation for Travellers.

## Rocky Point Ferry,

On the Main Line of Government Road to Bendigo.

REDUCED FARES.

GEORGE M'LACHLAN begs to intimate that he has purchased from Mr John McCormick, together with the ROCKY POINT FERRY HOTEL, the large and well-furnished PUNT recently placed on the Clutha at the above crossing-place.

This Punt is admitted to be one of the finest in the Province, and easily crosses the heaviest six and eight-horse waggons. Forty tons can be taken on the punt at once, and crossed with ease. This being the nearest road to Bendigo, parties visiting the Reefs will find it to their advantage to cross at this punt. Vehicles of all descriptions ferried at moderate rates.



MACPHERSON'S LOWER FERRY  
(Opposite Rocky Point, Upper Clutha)

Is now Open for every Description of Traffic

AT REDUCED FARES!

The approaches on both sides of the river are in excellent condition, and the route to Bendigo by this Ferry is the best and most direct that has yet been made available.

The New Punt constructed by the proprietor possesses the advantages of great strength, large carrying capacity, and unequalled facility in working. There is deep water at the landing stages at all seasons.

Op Hotel and Stables in course of erection.

Fares.—Man and Horse, 1/- Vehicles of all descriptions at proportionate reductions. Goods, 4/- per ton.

The Wakefield Ferry is open for traffic as usual.

HUGH M'PHERSON,  
Proprietor.

MITCHINSON & HARRISON,  
Wholesale and Retail  
STOREKEEPER,  
WINE, SPIRIT, AND PROVISION MERCHANT,

WAKEFIELD STORE,  
(Near Cromwell Quartz Co.'s Machine),  
BENDIGO.

GOODS DELIVERED  
At all parts of the Reefs.

BENDIGO AND WAKEFIELD POST-OFFICE.

BENDIGO REEFS HOTEL  
WAKEFIELD.

The undersigned having recently completed the above house at great expense, begs to intimate that he is now in a position to offer the best Accommodation to his patrons. The house has been fitted with every convenience for carrying on an extensive trade, and the comfort of visitors and boarders will be specially attended to.

Commodious BILLIARD ROOM, with one of the best Tables.

W. GOODALL,  
Proprietor.

ALBION HOTEL AND STORE

LUGGAGE,

8 miles from Cromwell, on the main road to Lake Wanaka.

H. MAIDMAN..... Proprietor.

This well-known Hotel possesses every accommodation for the comfort and convenience of travellers.

Groceries, Clothing, Drapery, Ironmongery Mining Tools, &c., &c., constantly on hand, at Cromwell prices.

GOOD STABLING.

N.B.—District Post Office.

WILLIAM SINCLAIR,  
TAILOR AND CLOTHIER,

PRINCES STREET,  
Opposite Criterion Hotel),

DUNEDIN.

## Hawea and Wanaka

## HAWEA SAW-MILLS.

The undersigned can supply SAWN TIMBER

in any quantity.

Orders addressed to Albert Town will be punctually attended to, and forwarded to Bendigo Gully for 26s per 100 feet.

BOARDS and SCANTLING at 16s. per 100 feet super., at the foot of the Lake (GLADSTONE), whence they can be conveyed by dray to Bendigo Gully or elsewhere.

J. D. ROSS,

Hawea Saw-mills.

## WANAKA HOTEL, PEMBROKE.

The above hotel, which is delightfully situated on the margin of the Wanaka Lake, offers to the tourist and pleasure-seeker advantages rarely to be met with.

The scenery in the neighbourhood is exceedingly picturesque; and on an Island in the Lake there is excellent rabbit-shooting.

An excellent Four-stalled STABLE, and a PADDOCK, for horses.

THEODORE RUSSELL,  
Proprietor.

## Bannockburn

## STUART'S FERRY,

KAWARAU RIVER.



Main crossing-place between Cromwell and the Nevis for Waggons, Drays, Horses, and Foot passengers.

Children attending School, Free.

## THE FERRY HOTEL

Has first-class accommodation for Travellers.

## JOHN RICHARDS..... PROPRIETOR.

DOCTOR'S FLAT, BANNOCKBURN,

(On the main road to the Nevis).

JOHN RICHARDS..... PROPRIETOR.

GROCERIES AND HOUSEHOLD REQUISITES

Of all descriptions kept in stock.

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## PROSPECTUS

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AND  
SHOTOVER, MACEIOWN, & CARDRONA

## REPORTER:

A Weekly Newspaper, to be Published  
AT ARROWTOWN EVERY FRIDAY

## THE FIRST NUMBER

Will appear on

FRIDAY, 26th MAY 1871.

## SUBSCRIPTION:

6/6 Per Quarter, Payable in Advance

THE PROJECTORS of the *ARROW ADVOCATE* have come forward to supply what has long been felt to be a want in the important District of which Arrowtown is the centre. They have done so in the full assurance of liberal support from the Commercial, Agricultural, and Mining classes of the community, whose interests it will be their earnest endeavour to advance.

The time has arrived when this District desires and deserves a Journal of its own, which shall be not only a disseminator of news, but the *ADVOCATE* of the rights of the Settlers. The resources of this extensive District require to be made known, as well as its wants. It is not too much to say that had the District possessed an independent journal,—an outspoken Organ of Public Opinion,—many of the evils from which the residents now suffer would never have existed, or would have been speedily extirpated. We shall consistently urge upon both the General and Provincial Governments the wants of the various localities included in our District.

With our rich and wide-spread auriferous deposits, and the extent and fertility of our agricultural lands, we may, with ordinary industry and prudence, and ordinary attention to our requirements on the part of the Government, look confidently forward to a long period of general prosperity. Inspired by this belief, we intend to bring the *ARROW ADVOCATE* before the Public; and while we promise to do all that we can to make known the wants and advance the interests of the place, we trust the Public will also feel it to be their interest to strengthen our hands, and accord us a liberal measure of support.

Considerable space will be devoted to the discussion of AGRICULTURAL TOPICS, and Articles from the pens of experienced Agricultural Writers will appear from time to time.

MINING MATTERS will receive adequate attention; and all New Inventions or Improved Processes having reference to Gold Mining will be carefully chronicled.

MARKET REPORTS.—The latest Stock, Grain, and General Produce Markets will be reported,—with the most reliable quotations. The value of this feature in the *ADVOCATE* will doubtless be recognised in the agricultural portions of the District.

The latest TELEGRAPHIC News from all parts of the Colony, up to the hour of going to press, will be published in each issue; and the ENGLISH MAIL News will be reported at the earliest possible time.

The *ADVOCATE* will afford an excellent Advertising Medium, as it will circulate widely through the entire Lake District, including Queenstown, Frankton, Shotover, Skippers, Macetown, Cardrona, &c.

MATTHEWS & FENWICK,  
ARROWTOWN, Monday, April 17, 1871.

## The Cromwell Argus

AND

NORTHERN GOLD-FIELDS GAZETTE,  
A Weekly Journal of  
DISTRICT INTELLIGENCE & GENERAL NEWS,  
Is published at three o'clock  
EVERY TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

Quarterly Subscription: Six Shillings; by Post,  
Seven Shillings.

## Charges for Advertising:

Sixteen words and under (not exceeding two lines of space), each insertion - - 2/-  
One inch of space, each insertion - - 3/-  
A reduction will be made in the charge for advertisements appearing more than four consecutive times.

Standing advertisements according to agreement.

Announcements of BIRTHS and MARRIAGES (which must in all cases be properly authenticated) are charged at a uniform rate of 2/-

MATTHEWS & FENWICK,  
Proprietors and Publishers.

ARGUS OFFICE, Cromwell,  
March 25, 1871.

V. R.  
NOTICE

COURTS will be held in the CROMWELL DISTRICT as under:—  
WEDNESDAY, MAY 31  
THURSDAY, JUNE 8  
And thereafter on each TUESDAY until further notice.

VINCENT PYKE, R.M.,  
Warden,  
Cromwell, May 19, 1871

## High Class Photography.

JAMES TYREE  
PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTIST  
(Of Queenstown.)

Has great pleasure in announcing his arrival in Cromwell with a complete set of Photographic Apparatus, which is now in full working order at his temporary premises, opposite the Cromwell Hotel, Melmore Terrace.

Cartes-de-Visite taken in the most approved styles, and at very moderate prices.

J. TYREE invites inspection of his Gallery of Celebrities.

## PHOTOGRAPHY.

Under the Patronage of Governor Sir George Bowen, the late Governor Sir George Grey, his Honor the Superintendent, and the Provincial Council.

M R T. MUSSEN (of the firm of Irwin and Mussen, Proprietors of the LONDON PORTRAIT ROOMS), begs to announce to the public of CROMWELL that he intends paying the district a Professional Visit shortly, of which due notice will be given.

Cartes de Visite and Landscapes taken in the first style of the art.

JAMES OLIVER WHITE,  
PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTIST  
(From Melbourne),

Begs most respectfully to inform the inhabitants of Cromwell and District that he will arrive about the end of JUNE, for the purpose of taking CARTE DE VISITE PORTRAITS, CABINET PORTRAITS, MINIATURES for Rings, Brooches, and Lockets, &c., &c.

N.B. Portraits will be taken with Plain or Ornamental Backgrounds. Views taken to any size.

WEDNESDAY, 24th MAY.

Sale of Well-bred Young Horses.  
At GOODGER'S YARDS, CROMWELL.

W. J. BARRY will submit to public competition, on Wednesday, the 24th May current, at 1 p.m.,

By order of Mr Henry Campbell:

6 Elswicks, rising three years  
3 Draughts, rising four years  
1 Colt, rising three years  
2 Elswicks, rising two years  
3 Grey Camdens, broken in, rising five years

By order of Mr H. S. Thomson:

A fine lot of Young Horses—Draught, Saddle, and Light Harness—bred on Wanaka West Station, and warranted free from blemish.

## Terms at Sale.

SATURDAY, 27th MAY,  
At One o'Clock.

## Reefers' Arms Hotel, Logantown.

## A RARE OPPORTUNITY.

W. J. BARRY has been favoured with instructions from the Proprietor Mr JAMES BEARE, who is about relinquishing hotel business, to sell by public auction, on the above date,

The licensed hotel known as the REEFERS'

ARMS, having a frontage of 35 feet to the main street, and containing splendid dining-room, parlour, large kitchen, and ten comfortably furnished bed-rooms, all in thorough repair, and the premises containing every requisite for carrying on a first-class business. The hotel is built of corrugated iron and American timber, and the whole of the buildings—including a stable and out-houses—can, if the purchaser so desire, be removed without damage.

Also,

The entire stock of FURNITURE, comprising every article required to furnish a large hotel.

The Auctioneer has peremptory instructions to dispose of the above property to the highest bidder, and without the slightest reserve.

Terms at Sale.

## A.O.F.

## ROYAL OAK OF KAWARAU

The Anniversary Ball and Supper of the above Court will take place  
AT RICHARDS' BANNOCKBURN HOTEL,  
On FRIDAY, 26th MAY 1871:

STEWARDS:  
F. Shambrook, C.R. J. L. Moore, S.C.R.  
H. Behrens, S.W. R. Barnes, J.W.  
C. Stoy, S.B. J. Bowen, J.B.  
W. Goldsmith, Secretary.

Dancing to commence at 9 o'clock.

An efficient QUADRILLE BAND in attendance.  
Mr J. GRINDLEY has kindly consented to act as M.C. at the Ball.

Tickets to admit Lady and Gentleman, £1 1s. each; may be obtained from the Stewards, and at the principal business places in the district.

## Application for Extended Claims.

NOTICE is hereby given that application has been made to me by JOHN JONES and ELLIS D. THOMAS to declare that that portion of the Otago Gold-fields, described in the Schedule hereunto annexed may be occupied in Claims of one acre per man, under Section 1, Reg. 6, of the Otago Gold-fields Rules and Regulations; and that such application, and any objections thereto, will be heard at the Court-house, Cromwell, on the 31st May, 1871. (Signed) VINCENT PYKE, Warden.

## SCHEDULE.

All that area containing two (2) acres of auriferous land, situated immediately above the Gorge, Upper Bendigo Gully.

## New Advertisements.

## Application for Extended Claims.

NOTICE is hereby given that application has been made to me by WILLIAM ANDERSON and LAWRENCE & THOMAS INKSTER to declare that that portion of the Otago Gold-fields described in the Schedule hereunto annexed may be occupied in claims of one acre per man, under Section 1, Reg. 6, of the Otago Gold-fields Rules and Regulations; and that such Application, and any objection thereto, will be heard at the Court-house, Cromwell, on the 8th June, 1871. (Signed) VINCENT PYKE, Warden.

## SCHEDULE.

All that area, containing three (3) acres of auriferous land, adjoining Halcrow and party, in Bendigo Gully.

## Application for Extended Claims.

NOTICE is hereby given that application has been made to me by JESSE GEER, EDWARD McFEDDON, OSWELL WALKER, and HENRY SUMMERS, to declare that that portion of the Otago Gold-fields described in the Schedule hereunto annexed may be occupied in claims of one acre per man, under Section 1, Regulation 6, of the Otago Gold-fields Rules and Regulations; and that such Application, and any objections thereto, will be heard at the Court House, Cromwell, on the 8th day of June, 1871. (Signed) VINCENT PYKE, Warden.

## SCHEDULE.

All that area, containing four (4) acres, of auriferous land adjoining Halcrow and party and Allread and party, in Bendigo Gully.

## Drapery! Clothing! Boots!

JUST RECEIVED, from Melbourne, ex Gothenburg, our consignment of the above goods suitable for the Winter Season, specially selected for this market by our Mr Hallenstein.

Drapery.—A large assortment of Dress Goods in every variety of material.

Woollen Goods.—Plaids of every Clan; Polkas, Vests, Pelerines, Cross-Overs, Gloves, Booties, etc. etc. A large variety of Welsh and Saxon Flannel, all colours; Calico, Sheetings, Blankets; and a large and varied stock of general Drapery.

Clothing.—Men's and Boy's, made especially for us in Melbourne, and will be found equal to bespoke. Duke of Edinburgh suits, Lappelle, D. B. Sacs, Chesterfield Overcoats, Pilot Jackets, Inverness Capes, Trousers, and Trousers and Vests—all the above are from the best Geelong and West of England Tweeds. Flannels, Drawers, Crimean Shirts, Socks, Cardigan Jackets, etc., in immense variety.

Boots.—Men's, Women's, and Children's, of every kind. Melbourne-made Wellingtons, Nuggets, Haywood's High Gums, etc.

A visit is respectfully solicited, as our stock of Drapery, Clothing, Boots, etc., will be found the largest on the Gold-fields.

Our various supplies in other departments, as enumerated in the general advertisement, will also be found largely augmented with suitable articles.

I. HALLENSTEIN & CO., Cromwell, Melbourne, Queenstown, and Arrow.

## Preliminary Notice.

## M R K. P R E T S C H,

Late of Bannockburn,  
Begs to acquaint the inhabitants of Cromwell  
and the surrounding District that he intends  
opening business in Cromwell as a  
House, Sign, and Carriage Painter, and  
House Decorator.

When any orders entrusted to his charge will be  
executed with punctuality, neatness, and de-  
spatch.

## B A N K H O L I D A Y

To-morrow (Wednesday) being the Queen's  
Birthday, the Bank will not be opened.  
Cromwell, May 23, 1871.

W A N T E D, a Situation as General  
SERVANT in a Private Family.—For ad-  
dress, apply at the Argus office.

## HENRY WAEBER,

PRACTICAL  
WATCHMAKER AND JEWELLER,  
CROMWELL,  
Has REMOVED to his  
N E W P R E M I S E S,  
MELMORE TERRACE,  
Adjoining the Golden Age Hotel,

And is now in a position to execute all orders  
entrusted to him with accuracy, punctuality,  
and despatch.

H. W. is the only Watchmaker in New Zealand  
land who has a complete set of  
WATCHMAKING MACHINERY  
in full working order.

A Beautiful and varied assortment of  
Gold and Silver Watches; English and American  
Clocks; Gold Chains and Alberts; Plain Gold  
and Signed Rings; Brooches; Ear-rings, Necklets,  
Lockets, Jet Ornaments; Horse-hair Guards, Silver  
and Steel Alberts and Chains; Silver, Ivory,  
Malachite, and Greenstone Ornaments, &c. &c.

Race and Presentation Cups supplied on  
the Shortest Notice, at Town Prices.

HENRY WAEBER,  
Watchmaking and Jewellery Establishment,  
Cromwell.

## Queen's Birthday!

## G R A N D P I C - N I C A N D S P O R T S,

To be held

AT THE ROUND HILL,

Near the Race Course.

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT:  
Messrs Smitham, Connellan, W. Shaffy, Frazer,  
Dawkins, Burres, Kelly, Barry, Hardinge,  
Pierce, and Scott.

## P R O G R A M M E:

100 yards foot race for boys under 13.  
Foot race of 50 yards, for boys under 9.  
50 yards foot race, for girls under 9.  
50 yards foot race, for girls and boys under 6.  
Aunt Sally, for boys and girls.  
Handicap foot race, for all boys under 16.  
Handicap Pigeon Match, three birds each.

## L O T S O F O T H E R F U N!

Everybody invited!—Come one, come all!  
Mr WHETTER has kindly consented to attend  
with his Band.

All the Traps in Cromwell will run to and  
from the Race-course; conveying families gratis.

Treasurer, Mr Connellan.

R. E. DAGG, Hon. Sec.

## M U N I C I P A L I T Y O F C R O M W E L L

Citizens' Roll for 1871-72.

Ratepayers are reminded of the necessity for  
their making immediate payment of all Rates  
due to the Corporation of Cromwell. Failing  
payment on or before the 1st June, all defaulters  
will, in terms of the Act, be excluded from the  
Citizens' Roll.

WILLIAM FENWICK,

Town Clerk.

Council Chamber,  
Cromwell, May 21, 1871.

## Cromwell Argus.

TUESDAY, MAY 23, 1871.

To CORRESPONDENTS.—Owing to great  
pressure off our space, we again issue a  
Supplement, and are compelled to hold  
over our leading article and much other  
interesting matter.

The First Number of "The Arrow,  
ADVOCATE" will be published at Bucking-  
ham Street, Arrowtown, on Friday after-  
noon next.

"The Goldfields Permanent Freehold  
Land and Building Society" has just been formed  
at Clyde. Shares, £60; entrance fee, £1;  
monthly payments, £5 per share. Mr V. Pyke  
made an excellent inaugural speech.

One of the claimants employed by a keeper at the Nevins recently met with an accident by a kick in the face from a horse, which he was foolishly attempting to catch by the tail! "John" was sent to the Dunstan Hospital, and has since returned; but he still fondly has that his hand is "well set."

A correspondent, writing from the Arrow, says: "We are all looking forward with interest to the appearance of the First Number of the *Arrow Advocate*; and if this interest may be regarded as a foreshadowing of its prosperity, the new journal will certainly be a success. But we were somewhat amused when we heard that there was 'another Richmond in the field,'—that another paper was projected. The second paper is to assume the title of the *Arrow Observer*: why not the 'Advocate Extin- guisher'? for the extinction of its rival would seem to be the only motive of any one starting a second paper here. The field has been long enough unoccupied, and the support of all the Arrow people will, without doubt, be given to those who first stepped in to supply the want so long felt,—especially as it is believed that the Proprietors of the *Cromwell Argus* will produce a Newspaper worthy of the District."

The action *Goodger v. Joel*, in the Clyde District Court, before Judge Gray, resulted in a judgment for the plaintiff for £25, with £8 1s. costs.

The Royal Standard Quartz Battery is still employed in crushing for the Heart of Oak claim. A partial cleaning-up took place on Saturday night, and the result was considerably over 150 ozs. of gold. The quantity of stone put through up to Saturday evening was about 50 tons, and as the tables were only roughly cleaned up, much of the gold remains on the tables. The exact yield from the present crushing will be known in the course of a week.

A valuable and important discovery has been made at Bendigo Gully within the past few days. Messrs Murray and Halcrow recently applied for and obtained an extended claim of two acres of ground which had been worked for a considerable time, but unsuccessfully, by Geer and party. The present holders of the ground had scarcely begun operations when they had the good fortune to discover an alluvial gutter, 15 feet in width, and having indications of extending through a large area. The prospect obtained was over a pennyweight to the dish of wash-dirt. Geer and party have since applied for permission to take up the unallotted ground between Allread and party and the claim in which the discovery above recorded was made; and we trust their enterprise will be well rewarded.

Mr C. Hastings has taken the contract for kerbing, channelling, etc., in Melmore-terrace. The contract is about £70.

"Taken to the Pound!" Thirty-one horses were yesterday morning driven from the Mount Pisa Station to the Clyde Pdind. We are not going to comment on this unseemly proceeding. The fact is its own commentary. The station-holder probably supposes he is justified in taking such an extreme step; but we should like to see the point tried in a Law Court. This impounding of poor people's cattle is simply the result of the residents not having secured, in days past, adequate Compensation. It is not too late, however. Let the subject be discussed at a public meeting. Let us agitate for Compensation Rights, and remain no longer at the mercy of gentlemen who are themselves merely pastoral tenants of the Crown. It is only right to state that hitherto Mr Loughnan has evinced a very liberal spirit. Has he adopted impounding cattle in self-defence?

The Nevins miners appear to be highly gratified at the election of Mr Marshall as delegate to the Mining Conference. It will be seen, by referring to our condensed report of the proceedings of the Conference, that Mr Marshall is doing the District good service in Dunedin; and in conjunction with Messrs Monat and Roberts, has been appointed to undertake the highly important duty of considering and reporting what provisions and bye-laws of the Victorian Mining Statute should be adopted by the Government. When Mr Marshall returns from the Conference he should be invited to give a public "account of his stewardship."

The Donkey Dilemma has not, we hear, been solved at Alexandra. Never before did donkey create such a sensation. "Balham and his ass" was nothing to the Alexandra donkey and its rival owners. It is truly a wonderful quadruped; and we should not be surprised if a heavy law-suit resulted about him. Perhaps he may yet be introduced to the Supreme Court, where he might bray aloud at judge, jury, and witnesses. We do not know which to admire most—the harmless ass, or those who make so much fuss about the possession of a donkey. He seems to be something like a pendulum, oscillating between Clyde and Alexandra; but his rightful destination is said to be Alexandra.

The anniversary of the Queen's Birthday will not pass this year in Cromwell without some fitting celebration. The day will, of course, be observed as a general holiday. The Mayor, and other public-spirited gentlemen, have collected a sum of money which will be distributed in prizes for athletic sports, and otherwise for the amusement of adults and juveniles. For particulars we refer our readers to the advertisement.

We desire to call the attention of the proper authorities to the state of the Cromwell Bridge. To say nothing of the very noticeable "tip" in the structure, several of the planks are in a very worn condition, and require renewal. The "deck-planking" is usually in a very dirty and neglected state; the attrition causes accumulations of gravel and manure, certainly tends to destroy the planting of the bridge more quickly than necessary. It is not fair wear and tear. The bridge ought to be swept clean regularly twice or thrice every week. A coating of coal-tar would serve to preserve the wood-work from the effects of wind and weather. Perhaps Mr Bews, the District Engineer, will make a note of these suggestions.

The Cromwell Quadrille Assembly will meet, this week, on Wednesday evening in consequence of the Bannockburn Ball taking place on Friday.

We are glad to learn that, as the result of the recent agitation, Mr Pyke has made arrangements to hold Courts here weekly in future, on Thursdays, commencing on June 8. Courts will be held, however, on Wednesday, May 31.

Mr W. J. Barry held a most successful auction sale at Arrowtown on Monday, last week, including about 140 head of Mr R. Lancaster's cattle; a lot of horses; a buggy and pair; 120 steers averaged 70s per head; a lot of draught horses, from Oamaru, realised prices ranging from £45 to £20; some drays, etc., were also sold,—the whole realising good prices.

The Foresters' annual Ball and Supper, Court Royal Oak of Kawarau, will take place on Friday evening, at Richard's Bannockburn Hotel, and bids fair to be very numerously attended.

Mr Chas. Pretsch, late of the All Nations Co., Bannockburn, announces by advertisement his intention to commence business in Cromwell as a painter and decorator. We wish him all success.

The case of *Smitham v. Marsh* came on for hearing in the Resident Magistrate's Court, Clyde, on Friday. Mr Wilson appeared for the complainant; Mr Marsh conducted his own case. After taking some evidence, and hearing argument, the case was adjourned to next Court-day at Cromwell.

A handsome new Court-house is being erected at Wangani (North Island): when shall we get one in Cromwell? Echo answers, When!

It is not improbable that the Hon. Mr Sewell, Minister of Justice, and Acting Postmaster-General, will shortly visit this district, and the Northern Goldfields generally. He was recently at Hokitika on an official visit.

Another stage of the celebrated Telegram Libel Case has been reached. The rule nisi, obtained on behalf of Mr Barton (now of Queenstown), calling upon Mr Strode, R.M., to show cause why a *mandamus* should not issue to him compelling him to proceed with the information against Mr Lemon, Manager of Telegraphs, for a breach of the Telegraph Act, 1865, has been discharged by Judge Chapman. The learned Judge has decided that the information discloses a breach of the Telegraph Act; but is of opinion that he ought not to compel Mr Strode to proceed on the information, as the case comes more properly within the jurisdiction of the R.M. at Wellington. This is a monstrously wearisome case; we imagine that all parties concerned must be heartily sick of it. Our sympathies are strongly with Mr Barton. The *Brace Standard* throws out an excellent suggestion:—"We have no doubt that the accusations brought against the Government by Mr Barton will be of signal service, and in whatever way the case may end, the public should signalise their approval of his bold denunciations of Government wrong-doing, by some tangible proof of their sympathy." Why should not the entire Press of the Colony subscribe to a Barton Testimonial and Defence Fund, and thus prove the genuineness of our sympathy with, and admiration of, our persecuted *confere*. We shall gladly co-operate in any such movement. (Since the above was in type, we learn by telegram that the Government have abandoned the prosecution.)

The *Wellington Independent*, an ultra-ministerial organ, is in a perfect phrenzy of enthusiastic delight over the arrival of the Nevada, and the successful negotiation by Mr Vogel of the New Zealand Debentures for £1,200,000. The following is an extract from a leading article which appeared in the *Independent* of May 9:—"But if there is one thing truly sublimely ridiculous, it is to hear Mr Stafford profess to know Mr Webb's steamboat business better than himself, and Mr Richmond, whose only financial experience has consisted in drawing £1000 a year in Ministries of which he was the weakness and the blot, giving gratuitous advice to the millionaires of Lombard-street, and pretending to know the value of security better than the habitues of the Stock Exchange! If the eminent financiers whom Mr Vogel has induced to invest in New Zealand securities on even more favorable terms than Dr Fosterton anticipated—if they do not know their own business better than Mr Richmond, it would be but charity on his part to go home and enlighten them. He could there make a supreme effort (for we see no further chance for him here) to carry out the dearest wishes of his heart, viz., to disparage the reputation of Mr Vogel, and the resources of New Zealand!"

A new coal-pit has been opened at the Kyeburn, by Messrs Brown, Collingwood, & Co.

#### LATEST TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

DUNEDIN.

TUESDAY, 10.45 a.m.

The General Government have intimated that they do not intend to prefer an indictment against Mr G. B. Barton at the approaching criminal sessions, on account of Mr Muston (sub-editor of the *Daily Times*, and a material witness) declining to give evidence. The Government intend asking the Home authorities to extend the Governor's power of pardoning in such cases if necessary.

RUCKLAND, May 16th.

At NELSON, May 18th.

The Caledonian Co. have paid another forty-third dividend of £10. Shares are at £102, ex div.

Some exceedingly rich finds have been made in the Tokatake claim at Coromandel, causing new excitement.

The report that the Waikatos had surrendered their claim to the Aroha block is contradicted.

Telegrams from the Thames state that Mr Mackay's prospects of inducing Te Hira to open up the Ohinemuri country and the road to Taupiri are very encouraging. Mr Mackay has gone with the Ngatiwha to Te Aroha.

A great fire took place last Sunday morning in Pitt-street, by which ten good houses were destroyed. The loss is estimated at £60,000, of which £1000 is insured in the New Zealand office, £1300 in the Royal, and £300 in the Imperial. The fire originated suspiciously in an empty house.

The Nevada Luncheon Committee have a deficit of £40, which they will have to make up among themselves, although 160 guinea tickets were sold.

#### LAND SALE IN CROMWELL.

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The Waste Land Board has a special aptitude for blundering. On Friday last, according to an announcement in that obscure publication, the Provincial Government *Gazette*, a Land Sale was to be held at the Cromwell Court-house at noon. Mr Chapple, the auctioneer, arrived in due time; but the Court-house was closed, and the Clerk was absent. What was to be done? The auctioneer promptly obtained permission to hold the sale in the Public Library, and soon after, Mr Chapple having assumed the functions of a public ball-man, he was seen perambulating Melmore-terrace, ringing a borrowed bell, and inviting the speculators in township sections to "roll up." Thus was the sale made known to persons who never see a Provincial Government *Gazette*, but who do regularly peruse this journal. This obscure mode of making known so important a public matter as the sale of land, is very reprehensible. It is most unbusiness-like, as it limits the competition at these sales to the few who by good luck, or extraordinary vigilance, find out when and where a land sale is to take place. If Mr J. T. Thomson, Chief Commissioner of the Waste Land Board, had any land of his own which he desired to dispose of to the best advantage, he would not bury his advertisements in an official *Gazette* of limited circulation. At Clyde, Alexandra, and in fact everywhere, the same complaint is made.

When Mr Chapple inspected the plan of the blocks and sections to be offered for sale, it was found that there was some grave error in the numbering of the blocks. He, therefore, adjourned the sale till 2 p.m., for the purpose of telegraphing to the Chief Commissioner of Waste Lands to rectify the error. In the course of an hour, the auctioneer received instructions to alter the number of one of the blocks—from IX. to XIV. The sections offered form part of the township, and front Melmore-terrace. There was an unusually spirited competition. The whole of the sections in Blocks XIII. and XIV. were sold at prices varying from £5 (the tip-set price) to £21. The auctioneer could have sold the whole of another block, No. XI., had his instructions permitted him to do so. The total amount realised by the sale was £118 10s.

The following are the full particulars of the sale:—

Block XIII.	£	s.	d.
Section 1—Wm. Grant	20	0	0
2—Jas. Taylor	21	0	0
3—Wm. Grant	7	0	0
4—Wm. Grant	6	0	0
5—Wm. Grant	7	0	0
6—Isaac W. Escott	7	10	0
7—M. Fraer	10	10	0
	£79	0	0

Block XIV.	£	s.	d.
Section 1—M. Fraer	7	10	0
2—J. McCormick	6	0	0
3—J. Dawkins	5	0	0
4—Owen Pierce	5	10	0
5—Wm. Grant	5	10	0
6—Joseph Harding	5	0	0
7—Joseph Harding	5	0	0
	£39	10	0

Total ... ... £118 10s.

A great desire is expressed that other blocks should be surveyed and offered for sale, in the direction of Goodger's Yards and the Cemetery. Such sections would find a ready sale at good prices. The fact that the town sections on Friday realised such excellent prices, should encourage the Waste Land Board to make further surveys, and adopt a more liberal policy in publishing advertisements of Land Sales in Local Newspapers.

On Saturday, Mr Chapple visited Bendigo, but effected no sales. There fresh surveys are called for in the direction of Logan's crushing machine.

The *Cleveland Herald* makes the following truthful observations concerning country newspapers:—"The local paper is an absolute necessity to the country community where it is published. All the city papers cannot supply the place of the local paper. That should be the first love of every man and woman, for with the paper is the locality identified. The paper gives the country and town where it is printed much more prominence and importance in the world, and gives in detail more local news than can be gained from any other source. Every week's issue of the paper is so much local history, and the rise, growth, and development of the town and country can be measured and recorded only by the local newspaper that constantly is gathering its items. People do not properly appreciate their home newspaper. They measure the value of a newspaper too much by the number of columns it contains. The home paper at any price is the cheapest one can take, for in it is found the information to be obtained from no other source.

Another thing is to be taken into consideration: every country district has one or more newspapers. Hence the circulation of each paper must be limited. There is therefore, the greatest need of activity and interest on the part of people to give their own paper vigorous and energetic support."

#### OCCASIONAL NOTES FROM THE METROPOLIS.

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DURBIDG, May 18.

The paddle steamer Nevada—the pic-nic boat of the new line recently started under contract with the Government of New Zealand—arrived from San Francisco via Auckland and other ports a few days since. Crowds of visitors have been down to Port Chalmers to see her, and the Harbour Steam-boat Company have reaped a rich harvest in passenger fares. I went down to see her in one of the steamers, which of course was crowded to suffocation. On the whole, though, we had a very pleasant day, and when we arrived at our destination we trooped on board the huge ship in such numbers as induced the Yankee mate who helped us up the steps to remark that "he guessed this was a tall turn-out," and one of the sailors supplemented the observation by further "guessing" that "we Britishers were a darned curious race." And there was, no doubt, very ample cause for the remarks of the two mariners, for ever since her arrival the Nevada has been placed under embargo by the inhabitants, who have been perpetually visiting her. I penetrated into every accessible corner, and everywhere found groups discussing whatever was worthy of notice. Down into the ladies' saloon, and you find them there, examining the comfortable though not expensively-furnished cabins: the gentlemen's quarters are still more crowded; down lower still amongst the polished machinery of the engines, and even among the soot-begrimed toilers in the coal-bunkers, where you can scarcely see your hands before you, are people still to be met with, pursuing their investigations and determined to see every thing that was to be seen; and when you ascend from the lower regions, and after mounting numerous flights of stairs finally reach the deck, you find the cook's territory is invaded; the bar has a thirsty throng before it; the hurricane deck is crowded with promenaders, and the cry is "still they come." Yes, the sailor was right, we Britishers "are a darned curious race." Yet the steamer was well worth a visit; and a merry trip up the harbour in the bright moonlight terminated the day's pleasure in an enjoyable manner.

The police have been making a raid upon the lower class of the *deux mondes* in our city, and with the threat of divers pains and penalties in default of their doing so, have, with the assistance of the Resident Magistrate, succeeded in inducing a number of them to leave our shores; to *petty* upon society in some other province or colony. It is hardly acting up to the "do unto others as you would have others to do unto you" maxim, for the wretched creatures must find a harbour of refuge somewhere, and they will no doubt be as great a pest wherever they may drop anchor as they have been here. The houses lately occupied by some of the emigrants were dens of the most infamous description, and were the haunts of vice and crime of all kinds. But as it is a generally acknowledged rule that people must look after number one in this progressive 19th century of ours, I suppose we ought to be very thankful to the police and the magistrates for the ostracism of the unfortunates in question.

The Mining Conference has commenced its labours, and bids fair to be the means of some much-needed improvements being introduced into our goldfields legislation. From the great practical experience of all the members of which it is composed, and the clear, business-like tone which has characterised the discussion of the questions that have come before them, I have no doubt that the result of their labours will be valuable.

The graving dock at Port Chalmers, which has cost some £50,000, although not yet handed over to the Dock Trust, has been opened for the admission of vessels. The steamer *Phoebe* was the first vessel to enter it, and she is now undergoing some necessary repairs. There is a leak in the bottom of the dock which has caused some little uneasiness. There were some two or three feet of water in it on the day I saw it, and in the vicinity of the leak the water was bubbling up just as it is to be observed in a pool of water where there is a spring underneath. Whether they will be able to stop the leak or not, I cannot say.

ARCANUM.

The Naselby Fire Brigade had to turn out on Saturday night week. They were, however, unable to extinguish the fire, which destroyed a miner's residence. It is high time a Fire Brigade were organised in Cromwell, but we suppose the residents will not bestir themselves in the matter until a disastrous fire arouses them from their fatal security. Perhaps a word of warning may have some good effect.

SHEPHERD'S  
COMMERCIAL & FAMILY HOTEL,  
NEAR THE OCTAGON,  
GEORGE-STREET, DUNEDIN,  
(late of Supreme Court Hotel).

Interior Accommodation for Families & Boarders  
HOT, COLD, AND SHOWER BATHS.

N.B.—A Night Porter in attendance.

The attention of the Proprietor will always be given to make his Patrons feel at Home.

A first-class BILLIARD TABLE.

Charges—Moderate.

R. W. SHEPHERD - PROPRIETOR.

D O A L C R E E K H O T E L,  
HALF WAY BETWEEN  
CROMWELL AND LAWRENCE.

The above hotel possesses excellent accommodation for travellers, who may rely upon receiving every attention. The house is situated on the main road from Tuapeka to Cromwell, and affords a convenient stopping-place for horsemen and passengers by coach.

The Dunstan and Tuapeka Mail Coach passes the door twice a week, and the daily increasing traffic sufficiently proves that this road is recognized as the best route from Dunedin to the northern Gold-fields.

GENERAL STORE. DISTRICT POST-OFFICE.

N.B.—First-class Stabling. Horses for hire.

Paddock accommodation.

R. AYLING,

Proprietor.

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FOR SALE.—A valuable WATER RACE and large DAM, with boxes and implements all in working order, at Sandy Point, Poison Creek, together with a Hut and Boat, &c., &c. For further particulars apply to JOHN VLIETSTRA, on the ground.

Dissolution of Partnership.

THE Partnership hitherto existing between JAMES COSSAR and GILBERT STAITE, Storekeepers, Bannockburn, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent.—Gilbert Staite having disposed of his interest to Mr WILLIAM BENNETT, who will henceforth, in conjunction with Mr JAMES COSSAR, carry on the business under the style of "COSSAR and BENNETT."

All Accounts due to the Firm up to this date must be paid on or before TUESDAY, 23rd May current; and all Accounts owing by the Firm must be presented for payment on or before the same date.

JAMES COSSAR.

GILBERT STAITE.

Bannockburn, May 2, 1871.

### THE MINING CONFERENCE.

(For report of Tuesday's proceedings, see page 7.)  
WEDNESDAY, MAY 17.

A letter was read from His Honor the Superintendent, containing the following suggestions:—1. The consideration of legislation affecting the Gold-fields, with view of making practical suggestions as to the amendment and consolidation of existing Acts. 2. The recommendation of such alterations in the Regulations as may be suitable to the present condition of Gold-mining. 3. The application of Part III. of the Immigration and Public Works Act to the gold-fields. His Honor thinks that the most economical, practical, and speedy mode in which the limited amount obtainable by this province can be applied is by advancing money on loan at not exceeding 5% per cent. to companies already in existence, or which may be formed hereafter, the Government to advance the money upon such terms as shall recoup itself, and as shall provide for the supply of water at the lowest possible rates.

The following is the substance of the reply of the Conference:—

"As the consolidation of the various Statutes affecting the Gold-fields appears to be the primary duty of your Commissioners, and as the future regulations of the Otago gold-fields must be based on the consolidated and amended Statutes, they suggest that the consideration of the latter subject be postponed until the amended Statute is before them. They therefore suggest that upon the conclusion of their inquiries upon the other subjects remitted to them, they should adjourn their sittings until after the next session of the General Assembly. The suggestions on Part III. of the Immigration and Public Works Act will receive earnest consideration."

THURSDAY, MAY 18.

The Commissioners were engaged yesterday and to-day in considering suggestions, advisable as amendments and alterations in the Gold-fields Act, 1866.

On the motion of Mr Shepherd, it was agreed that clause 21 of the Gold-fields Act shall apply to Crown lands as well as to private lands; and it was agreed that a sub-committee, consisting of the Chairman, Messrs Roberts and Marshall (delegate from the Dunstan district) be appointed to consider and report what provisions and by-laws of the Victorian Mining Statute should be recommended for adoption by the Commission.

### WARDEN'S COURT.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 19.

(Before Vincent Pyke, Esq., Judge and Warden.)  
UNLAWFUL INTERFERENCE.

Robert Brydon and others v. Alexr. Rintoul and others.—Defendants were charged with unlawfully interfering with complainants' claim. After hearing evidence, the Warden prohibited defendants from entering on or interfering with plaintiffs' claim as now marked out. Plaintiffs to pay costs of Court, 11s.; and each party to pay their own costs otherwise.

### APPLICATIONS.

Extended Claims.—A. Fleming and another, two acres, Smith's Gully; R. Bell and two others, three acres, opposite Kawarau Gorge, on river bank; Wm. Todd and two others, three acres, at Sandy Point, east bank of Kawarau; Samuel Halecrow and another, two acres, 400 yards east of Bendigo Gully,—all the above were Granted. William Aldred and two others, three acres, 1½ miles below the junction of the Lindis and Clutha; to be granted if advertised and not objected to.

Tail Race.—Sam. Halecrow and another, from extended claim, 400 yards east of Bendigo Gully granted.

Protections.—Robert Brydon and five others, 60 days, for a quartz claim, No. 1, north-east of the Golden Crown, Carrick Range, to test reef: granted.—Jas. Thompson and another, 60 days, for alluvial claim in Smith's Gully, owing to want of water: granted.—Wm. Watson and five others, 60 days, for Golden Crown quartz claim: granted, two men to be employed.—J. Bruce and two others, 60 days, for alluvial claim, Doctor's Flat: granted.

Water Races.—Matt. Gassney and two others, from two miles above Loughuan's "dip," in the Eleven-mile Creek: granted.—Wm. Todd and another, extension of licensed water-races from half-mile south-east of Kawarau gorge: granted. Edw. O'Brien and another, one sluice-head from Eight-mile Creek, Upper Clutha. Objected to by W. H. Day. Refused.—Frs. Lyons and another, for three sluice-heads, from Clear-water Creek, seven miles to the north-east of Bendigo: granted.

Dam.—W. Todd and two others, for a dam at Sandy Point: granted.

Residence Areas.—Gilbert Stait, for one acre, 70 yards west of Royal Standard Co.'s crushing machine, at Bannockburn. Objected to by R. Kidd. Refused.—T. H. Carpenter, one acre, twenty yards west of the Royal Standard Co.'s machine; Wm. Watson, for one acre, adjoining the above; J. Barr, 200 yards, on north side of Smith's Gully: all granted.

Agricultural Lease.—J. Maclean, for 640 acres between Ardgoon Station and Dry Creek. Objected to by Jas. Crowther and 72 others. Adjudged for surveyor's plan to be furnished.

The 24th inst. being the anniversary of the Queen's birthday, no Courts will be held on that day, but on the 31st inst.

### BENDIGO.

(From a Correspondent.)

MAY 20, 1871.

The chief topic of interest just now on the gold-fields being the question of Water Supply, a few words as to our claims to be classed among the sluicing districts may not be considered out of place.

This locality has hitherto been commonly associated with purely reefing matters, so it may not possibly be uninteresting to your readers to learn that the sluicing interest bids fair to overtop that of the reefers. Quartz-reefing has been found to be, at best, but a precarious pursuit, requiring much patience and more capital to bring it to a successful issue; so many of our prominent quartz-miners are turning their attention to hydraulic mining, the area of payable ground being found by prospecting to be almost unlimited. The Aurora water has been rented by Hazlett and party, who are cutting an extensive head-race to the terraces on the Clutha below the junction of the Lindis with that river, where already another party have been sluicing with water from Shepherd's Creek for upwards of two years with excellent results. Aldred and party are constructing a race from Bendigo Gully to the terraces lying below Hazlett's claim. Horrigan and Co. have obtained a grant of Dry Creek, and intend bringing in water at once to Kohinor Gully: this will be an undertaking of considerable magnitude. Lastly, a party have rented the Rise and Shine Co.'s tail-water, at present flowing down Bendigo Gully, and have applied for a tail-race to sluice the low-lying spurs between Shepherd's Creek and Bendigo, the water to be diverted below the Alta Co.'s mill. Naturally the change in the direction of so much labour in a small community like ours would be likely to produce some complications; but I think we were scarcely prepared for such as have arisen. In the first place, Mr M'Lean, of Ardgoon Station, has applied to purchase 640 acres of land, the said land being proved to be auriferous, and absolutely necessary, now and hereafter, as an area whereon to stack tailings from sluicing claims in the vicinity; and in the second place, Mr Logan objects to having dirty water sent down Bendigo Creek, or interfering with his quartz-crushing, the mill being placed at the mouth of the principal outlet for the district, a mistake, for which it is to be hoped, the community here will not be made to suffer. Should either the foregoing application or objection be entertained, a great blow will have been struck at the material prosperity of the place, and many who now think to settle down here permanently will find their hopes vanish like the "baseless fabric of a vision." Here is a fine opportunity for the gentle exercise of the moribund bugbear, "discretionary power." I trust it may, in this case, be made to perform the graceful act of conferring the "greatest good on the greatest number."

### QUEENSTOWN.

(From our own Correspondent.)

MAY 20, 1871.

Since I last wrote we have experienced some of those unpleasant changes in the weather which herald the setting in of winter. During the week it has rained heavily, and the mountains have been completely covered with snow, though as yet none has fallen in the town. To-day however, the sun is shining merrily and the snow is disappearing rapidly.

Our local brewers, Messrs Surman and Davis, have added another industry to that of brewing, the manufacture of malt. They have built a large stone and brick malt-house, at a cost of about £1000, and are now in full working order. They inform me that the barley grown in the district will enable them to turn out a sample of malt superior to any imported. The malt-house will well repay a visit, should any Cromwellites come this way, and added to the other conveniences now possessed by this firm will ensure them against anything in the shape of opposition.

A Dunedin photographer, Mr Musson, has been staying here for the last three weeks, and appears to be doing a large amount of business, judging from the numerous visitors he has had. He has taken, for a time, the new studio just erected by Mr Richardson, in Ballarat-street, which appears to answer admirably. Mr Musson proceeds from this place to Cromwell, where no doubt many will take advantage of his skill in portrait taking.

People here hailed with delight the starting of the *Arrow Advocate*, as conduced to improve our local organ, and reduce the existing high rates for printing. Last night we were favoured with another prospectus, that of the *Arrow Observer*, which it is whispered might be more properly named *The Wanganui Mail Protector*, as it is no doubt started with a view of driving the Arrow entirely off the field. So far as I can hear, however, it will not, vulgarly speaking, "stand a show" against the *Advocate*, which appears to be meeting with great support throughout the district.

New buildings are starting up like mushrooms all over the town; but the giant store of Messrs Hallestein and Co., now approaching completion, puts all others in the shade. Mr Hallestein has kindly lent the store for the ball to be given by the Hospital Committee on Tuesday week, so we look forward to an enjoyable dance, with plenty of elbow-room—a novelty in Queenstown.

### CROMWELL TOWN COUNCIL.

The usual fortnightly meeting of the Cromwell Town Council was held in the Town Hall, on Tuesday evening last.

Present: The Mayor (Mr Smitham) and Crs. Dawsons, Dagg, and Brown. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Outward correspondence was read and approved. Letters were received from Mr H. A. Stratford, Mr J. G. Ballard, (Secretary of the Library Committee,) and Messrs Mills, Dick and Co.

TENDERS.

The following tenders for kerbing and channelling Melmore Terrace were opened:—T. and J. Scott, £19 19s; Charles Hastings, kerbing, £5 10s per chain—channelling, £2 per chain; John Hurley, kerbing, £5 15s per chain—channelling, £3 13s per chain. The tender of Messrs Scott, being informal, was not considered; and upon the motion of Cr Dagg, seconded by Cr Brown, Mr Hastings' tender was accepted.

### PROPOSED SALE OF TOWN HALL.

The consideration of Mr Ballard's letter—stating that the Library Committee were willing to purchase the Town Hall, and asking for further particulars—was deferred till the next meeting.

### FINANCE.

Mr Hastings' account, £9, for building two culverts over the Town-race, was passed for payment.

### MEMORIALS.

The Town Clerk was instructed to draw up two memorials to His Honor the Superintendent—one of them asking for Weekly Courts here, and one to the Postmaster-General, asking that the salary of the Postmaster (Mr Ballard) might be increased, as it is totally out of proportion to the onerous character of the duties which he performs.

This concluded the evening's business.

### ALEXANDRA.

(From our own Correspondent.)

On Friday night, about 10 o'clock, a very serious accident happened to a young man named Robert Cannon, in the employ of Mr O'Kegan, butcher, here. The man was at work at a sawing-machine, when his hand was drawn into the cog-wheels, almost tearing off three fingers, and terribly lacerating his hand and arm. Mr W. J. Barry, who happened to be present, bound up the mutilated limb, and arrested the bleeding, which was very profuse, and conveyed the unfortunate young man to the Dunstan Hospital, where he was promptly attended to by Drs Barrows and Thompson, and is now under the care of the Resident Surgeon. The case is, it is feared, a serious one. It is remarkable that it was only last week that I had to record a fatal accident to another young man who was in the employ of Mr O'Kegan.

### RESIDENT MAGISTRATE'S COURT.

MONDAY, MAY 15.

(Before VINCENT PYKE, Esq., R.M.)  
Davy and M'Kersey v. Gilbert.—Claim, £1 11s. 6d. Settled out of Court.

Samson v. Gilbert.—Claim, £7 5s. Settled out of Court.

Rivers v. Geo. Rogers.—£7 0s. 11d., for goods supplied. Summons not returned.

John Cox v. Lancaster.—Breach of agreement concerning the sale of a donkey, £50. Settled out of Court.

T. Cummins v. Carey.—Claim, £8 10s. This was adjourned to 29th May.

Cummins v. O'Brien.—Claim, £27 15s 5d. This case also was adjourned to May 29.

Cummins v. Carey.—This was a case of assault, and had to be adjourned for the production of a material witness.

D. Robertson's application for a renewal of his slaughtering license was granted.

SATURDAY, MAY 20.

(Before W. THEYRS, Esq., J.P.)  
James Gough was charged with being drunk and disorderly, and was fined 10s, or 24 hours' imprisonment.

### WARDEN'S COURT.

MONDAY, MAY 15.

(Before V. Pyke, Esq., Judge and Warden.)  
Button v. Oliver and Knowles.—This was an application to cancel defendants' license for water race at Blackman's, and was adjourned.

Cummins v. Carey.—Plaintiff claimed £30, being the price of a share which he had sold to defendant. Mr Brough appeared for plaintiff, and Mr Wilson for defendant. The case was adjourned.

Halley applied for leave to construct a tail-race. Messrs Murphy, M'Clusky, and Lynch each objected. Mr Wilson appeared for the applicant, and Mr Brough for the objectors. The hearing was adjourned by consent, a report to be made by Mr Knowles, and furnished to the Court before May 29.

Nobis and party were granted 90 days' protection for an extended claim at Goldfinch Beach.

P. Carroll's application for protection was refused.

M. Bourke, Spear Grass Flat, did not appear in connection with his application for an extended claim of one acre.

Lees and party applied for an extended claim of six acres at Conroy's. Oliver and Knowles objected, and were represented by Mr Brough; Mr Wilson appearing for the applicants. The application was granted.

Iversen and party were granted a site for quartz-crushing machinery.

John Terry's application for a mining lease of ten acres was adjourned for the production of mining surveyor's plan and report.

J. Drummey's application of a similar description was similarly dealt with.

Large numbers of "new-chum" Chinese have lately been in Cromwell, on their way to various alluvial diggings. The "new-chum" Chinaman is as unimpeachable as his European prototype. The number of Chinese returned in December, 1867, was 1185. The increase during the three years is 1392,—the census total being 2577. As upwards of 300 Chinese have recently arrived in Otago (since the census was taken) direct from Hong Kong, the number now in the Province is about 3000. It is wonderful how Mr Shepherd, M.H.R., continues to exist under such an increasing Mongolian load.

## MINING NEWS.

Dredging operations are about to be begun on Hartley's Beach, just below Cromwell Bridge; the proprietors of one of the largest dredges on the river having with great labour brought her up the Molyneux River from below the Teviot.

A correspondent from Alexandra informs us that Conroy's Quartz Mining and Crushing Co. have got all the timber on the ground necessary for erecting the machinery and buildings. The road from the reef to the machinery is now completed. They have put in a long tunnel, and the reef is said to be looking splendid. In Butcher's and Conroy's Gullies all the tail-races are in full work, but as yet none are washing up. Most of the dredges on the river are again in full work; and the river bank claims are starting to work again. The Ovens Water Race Co. are applying for new ground (an extended claim) above Butler's Point on the main river, anticipating that they will strike the same lead as yielded so richly at Butler's Point. The Manherikia Co. are working on the river bank near Mutton Town, but with what result is not known.

Our Nevins correspondent writes as follows:—The last rain we had has swamped several good paying claims. It is very disheartening to men when they see perhaps months of hard labour thrown away just as they are commencing to reap the golden harvest. —Winter seems to be setting in in earnest. The frost is as sharp now as it was any time last year, and if it continues the sluicers will have no water to work with.

It is reported that the few miners at work on the Port Molyneux beach are realising good returns of the precious metal, one party of three having netted no less than 200 ozs. of pure gold in three weeks.

The West Coast must be a lively place at present. The Greymouth *Evening Star* in a recent number says:—"Never within our recollection were there fewer matters of either interest or import on the West Coast to record than at present. From Okarito on the south to far beyond Greymouth on the north, nothing has occurred worthy of special mention; and unless something of startling interest or deepest moment occurs, the newspaper writers' occupation in this part of the Colony will collapse."

Prospecting is still prosecuted in the Hawke's Bay Province, a "prospecting party" having been maintained for a long time past at the public expense: they are now in the neighbourhood of Taupo. They report as follows:—"After trying a few places in the neighbourhood of the Oaranga, we made for the river named on your map—'Duffer's Gully,' which was followed up to its source, finding gold here and there all along the upper part of it, although in quantity too small for working. The auriferous deposits are there scattered about with the same evenness as in the districts we prospected further south, and we are now more than ever impressed with the belief that it is in quartz that payable gold must be looked for. We have found two or three reefs, traceable along the surface for some distance, and have brought away samples of the stone, which looks promising enough. We are now about to proceed up the Tauranga, which, with its tributaries, we intend giving a fair trial. It is almost our last hope of finding any payable alluvial or creek workings."

Like all new methods for working auriferous beds, the dredging system did not prove an immediate success on the Shotover. In fact, so unlucky have been the various dredge companies that those wise prophets everywhere to be found condemned the system as a failure. However, some who have met such ill success as would deter most men from proceeding further, have persevered in spite of all difficulties, and, we are glad to say, are now reaping the reward their plucky efforts deserve. We more particularly allude to Messrs Ashcroft, Greaves, and Co., who lost one dredge before they had properly tried their claim at the Sandhills. This firm proceeded to build another, but up to Easter holidays met with but qualified success. Since then they have obtained over 1000 ozs. of gold. The gold is coarse in description, varying from a pennyweight up to three-quarters of an ounce pieces. The firm, believing that they have hit upon the proper way to work the ground, are about to build a second dredge.—*Wakatipu Mail*.

The following interesting letter was recently addressed to the *Thames Advertiser*:—"Sir, As the loss of gold and quicksilver at some of our machines is something enormous, will any amalgamist kindly inform us if he has tried amalgamation without putting mercury in the stamper-boxes, so as to avoid the beating-up of silver into infinitesimal particles when pounded with some of the baser metals. About a year ago, one of your correspondents highly recommended the use of perforated plates over copper plates and mercury troughs; and instead of putting silver in the boxes, now and then to sprinkle a little over the perforated plates, the frequency of the operation, and the quantity of silver used, being regulated by the quality of the stuff crushed. The amalgam would thus be chiefly in the form of cones upon the copper, and in the shape of balls in the troughs. If this has been tried, what has been the cause of failure? Some gold is said to be so fine that in distilled water it would not precipitate in less time than from five to ten minutes, and the judicious use of perforated plates is said to save more fine gold than the ordinary smooth tables. In California the treatment of ores containing antimony, ac-

tic, sulphur, is said to be much more economically and profitably carried on by Paul's Electric Dry Amalgamating Process than by any other known practical system of amalgamation. At Nevada, many tests were made, and the yield largely exceeded that from barrel amalgamation, or Wheeler's pans. But what is the 'Electric Dry Amalgamating Process'?"

In mining operations about Blacks and surrounding district, matters have been pretty quiet of late. The Ida Valley Deep Lead, at Blacks No. 3, is still progressing steadily, having forwarded to Dunedin, per last escort, about 100 ozs. of gold. They are again washing up about 120 loads of dirt, which is expected to yield as usual. Blacks No. 3, where the lead is situated, seems to be going ahead, there being already three hotels, three stores, and a boarding house in course of erection. Besides the present company now working, there are two other companies forming, for the purpose of sinking.

## THE MINING CONFERENCE.

TUESDAY, MAY 16.

The Mining Conference met in Dunedin on Tuesday, the 16th inst., and continued its sittings throughout the week. We take the following report from the *Daily Times*:

Mr Mouat was appointed Chairman on the motion of Mr Shepherd, and the Conference then proceeded to pass regulations regarding their order of business.

The consideration of the Goldfields Act, 1866, and the various amendments, was entered upon section by section. A very general feeling was expressed that it is desirable in any consolidation of the Goldfields legislation, that matters not immediately connected with and separable from gold mining should be dealt with by separate and special Acts of the Legislature. This opinion was enforced more particularly with regard to Native lands and the question of settlement, which were generally adjudged not to be within the special functions of the Commission. Resolutions to this effect were given notice of by various members of the Commission for consideration at the next sitting.

Some discussion ensued as to the propriety of extending the provisions of the Goldfields Act to all waste lands of the Crown, without the necessity of proclaiming goldfields. The system in force in New Zealand was contrasted with the law in force in Victoria, where the Mining Statute is made applicable in the same way, and instead of goldfields being excepted, and set apart specially, the lands reserved for mining were excluded from the operations of the Act. The applicability of the Victorian statute in this respect was considered, and it appeared to be the opinion of the delegates that if Native lands were dealt with specially, no difficulty would arise; and that it was not the duty of the Commission to consider the consequences of these recommendations, but the duty of the Government to adapt the general legislation so far as possible in that direction.

The question of the tenure of mining property, and the desirability of making it more secure by adopting the Victorian system of issuing miners' rights for terms of years, and of consolidated miners' rights, met with very general approval. Various notices of motion on the subject of tenure were given. The question of the tenure of water rights seemed especially to absorb the attention of the delegates. The exception of two sluice heads of water in favour of the holders of claims along the course of creeks will no doubt give rise to serious debate, and seems to be the subject of some difference of opinion. The weight of opinion expressed seemed, however, to be, that this exception should only operate as a restriction on the original grant, not having any effect to deprive holders of water rights, who have expended capital and labour in constructing races, of any portion of the right originally granted.

A very general determination was expressed in favour of limiting the power of Wardens to the powers expressly conferred by law, annulling the discretionary power; and it was suggested that it would be desirable to give the administrative power to a Local Board, in order to avoid giving to the Wardens the power as well to make grants as afterwards to adjudicate upon them.

Judging from the spirit with which the Commission have entered upon a difficult and probably thankless task, and the evident desire to avoid entering upon subjects not strictly within the scope of their enquiries, as well as the general acquaintance which the delegates appear to have with the various difficulties of mining legislation, we may confidently anticipate very valuable results from their labours. The idea of separating from purely mining legislation all questions concerning the land laws, public works, &c., is a judicious one, and calculated to lead the Conference to the consideration of the subject in calm and impartial light. The Government has placed at the disposal of the Commission all the latest legislation on the subject, in Victoria as well as all other countries where the mining interest has assumed any importance. We hope the General Assembly will adopt liberal and intelligent views with regard to the conclusions which may be arrived at by the Conference.

The following is from the *Dunedin Star* of May 15:—We gladly hail, therefore, the announcement that the present Ministry intend not only to consolidate the laws affecting the goldfields but

to propose a measure that will meet the changed circumstances of affairs. The Ministry deserve credit for the attention they have paid to the matter. We know that they have carefully studied for the Victorian Blue Books, and not content with this, they employed Captain Baldwin to report on the state of mining in California. We trust the Conference will give attention to that report, especially to that portion relating to water rights. The Conference will naturally only reflect the opinions of Otago miners in minor details, but on the more comprehensive questions affecting the gold-mining industry as a colonial interest, their views will naturally be those current amongst the class they are supposed to represent. We may suppose, because the election of delegates has been decided, evidently upon personal grounds of fitness, not upon any declared opinions. Very great powers have thus been given to the members of the Conference; and further, because goldfields interests and views are much alike throughout the Colony. We are also glad to see that at the Thames and at the West Coast goldfields the miners are alive to the importance of making their requirements known to the Government.

We are afraid the Conference will not rise to the occasion. The miners, in electing delegates, seem to have generally considered that their duties would consist chiefly in revising the regulations. These have only recently been framed by a Board of Wardens, and act well on the whole; any interference with them by the new body would only lead to a system of tinkering. Such narrow duties are not required. What the Government looks for is suggestions for the better government of the goldfields, so as to promote their social, permanent, and material prosperity.

## A Strange Story.

The Hartford (Connecticut) Journal relates the following interesting story of the grave of the late Roger Williams, the founder of Rhode Island:—Ninety years after his death—that is in 1771—steps were taken to erect some suitable monument to the memory of the founder of Rhode Island, but the storms of the revolution came on and the work was forgotten. Recently the subject has been revived, and Roger Williams may yet have some outward sign to mark and perpetuate his name. The precise locality of his grave has been carefully ascertained and examined. On scraping off the turf from the surface of the ground the dim outlines of seven graves were found, contained within less than one square rod. In colonial times each family had its own burial ground, which was usually near the family residence. Two of these seven graves were those of children, the remaining four were adults. The easterly grave was identified as that of Mr Williams. On digging down into the "charnel house," it was found that everything had passed into oblivion. The shapes of the coffins could only be traced by a black line of carbonaceous matter—the thickness of the edges of the side of the coffins, with their ends distinctly defined. The rusted remains of the hinges and nails, with a few fragments of wood and a single round knot, was all that could be gathered from his grave. In the grave of his wife there was not a trace of anything save a single lock of braided hair, which had survived the lapse of more than 180 years. Near the grave stood a venerable apple tree, when and by whom planted is not known. This tree has sent two of its main roots into the grave of Mr and Mrs Williams. The larger root had pushed its way through the earth till it reached the precise spot occupied by the skull of Roger Williams. Then making a turn as if going round the skull, it followed the direction of the backbone to the hips. Here it divided into two branches, sending one along each leg to the heel, where both turned upwards to the toe. One of those roots formed a crook at the knee, which makes the whole bear a very close resemblance to the human form. The graves were emptied of every particle of human dust. It is known to chemistry that all flesh and the gelatinous matter giving consistency to the bones, are resolved into carbonic acid gas, water, and air, while the solid lime dust usually remains. But in this case even the phosphate of lime of the bones in both graves was all gone. There stood the "guilty apple tree," caught in the very act of "robbing the grave." The organic matter of Roger Williams had passed into woody fibre and bloomed in the apple blossoms, and had become pleasant to the eye; and more, it had gone into fruit from year to year, so that the question might be asked, who ate Roger Williams?

In Peekskill a paper speaks of a departed citizen, who was "struck down by the hand of Providence, and not permitted to finish the French roof he had commenced on his house."

There is a verdict on record in one of the counties of Minnesota, rendered in a murder trial, in the following words:—"Not guilty if he'll quit the State."

## EXTRACTS FROM EXCHANGES.

The *European Mail* says that on Thursday, Feb. 16, at 9 p.m., a London establishment received a message which had been sent, *vid* Teheran, from Kurrachee, India, on Friday, Feb. 17, at 12.43 a.m. The message was, therefore, received in London the day before it was sent from India! The time actually occupied by the message in transmission was 50 minutes; the sun would require 4 hours 26 minutes to do the same distance, and as the message was sent so soon after midnight, the extraordinary effect is produced of its arriving the previous evening.

The members of the Ministry (says the Wellington correspondent of the *Daily Times*) still adhere to their policy of providing for their friends at the public expense, and the latest instance of this has created some little amusement. Recently a steamer brought from Melbourne a gentleman of the name of Edwin, formerly a lieutenant in H.M.S. Falcon, and, to the intense astonishment of most people, it soon became known that he had come out from England for the purpose of taking an appointment in the Marine Department—that of Examiner of Masters, or something of the kind. The office is an entirely new one, and entirely unnecessary; but there is a good salary attached to it. The reason why this gentleman was brought out from England to fill it may perhaps be found in the fact that he is also to be married to a sister-in-law of Mr Gisborne!

There is a legend of ancient days in Melbourne (says the *Thames Evening Star*), when rich diggers and money were, and prudence oftentimes was not. A digger took his bride (of half-an-hour) into a shop in Bourke street, and asked for a handsome shawl for the fair one. A shawl, value £50, was shown, and taken. In payment the digger tendered a £100 note. The shopman was suspicious of so large a sum, and muttered something about not having change, in hopes of getting the £50 itself. But his innocent attempt at deceit was baffled by the superior innocence of the digger, who replied, "Oh, danan the change! give us another shawl!" "I saw a shawl case on a small scale at the toll-bar of the Grahamstown Wharf the other day. A gentleman miner, who was rich and drunk, on the sale, perhaps, of £10 worth of scrip, tendered a sixpenny silver coin in payment. The tollkeeper had not the change, and the digger was as unwilling to trust him with so large a sum as the tollkeeper was unwilling to let the digger through on credit. Therefore a deadlock occurred. At last the digger, with a compound smile of ineffable satisfaction at his wisdom and ineffable contempt at the tollkeeper's stupidity, passed solemnly five times backwards and forwards through the tollgate, and, saying "there's your change, now we are quits!" was proceeding on his way, when he found that, after all, he was still on the wrong side of the gate. This opened up a new train of thought for the digger, who at last put down another sixpence, and bestowing a benediction on the change, disappeared through the turnstile.

Some young rascals were annoying an old gentleman by snowballing his house. He rushed out and caught a youngster who was standing on one side and looking on, and thinking him to be one of the offenders, began to administer a severe flogging. But, to his surprise, the harder he whipped the harder he laughed, until he stopped and sought an explanation. "Well," said the boy, "I'm laughing because you're awfully sold; I ain't the boy."

ECCENTRICITIES OF AUTHORS: By Josi Billings.—Balvor rit "Night and Morning." What he did with the rest of the day is not stated. Collins rit "After Dark." Perhaps he couldn't write so well by day. Le Fanu rit "All in the Dark." I don't see how he could do it without a light. How could he dot the i's or cross the t's? Some other wrote "Bound in the Wheel." An uncomfortable possishun tu rit in, bound to a wheel. Thunder & Gilmore rit "Four Years in the Saddle," so tis sed. He must have had a "quiet horse." Some other wrote "All for the Best." That must have been Seward: that's him klean thro. Miss Mulock rit "Nothing New." This could be said of many others with propriety. Harrington rit "Inside." I take it for granted that most people do. It wouldn't be kumfortable ritin on the sidewalk in rain. Some other who didn't give his name rit "Altogether Wrong." Many hev copied from his stile, but hev had the scriftry to give us their names, bein lost to shame. Mrs Mackenzie Daniels rit "After Long Years." Sensible wontin. If sun ov the rest ov em would wait tif they get to the age of discretion, it would be better for all kumfered.

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